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Mr. Shawn M. Garvin Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III 1650 Arch Street (Mail Code: 3RA00) Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

RE: Newark South Ground Water Plume Concurrence Letter

Dear Mr. Garvin:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on October 28, 2016 requested Delaware's concurrence to list the Newark South Groundwater Plume Site located in Newark, Delaware, on the National Priorities List (NPL), pursuant to authority under Section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended 42 U.S.C. Section 9605. The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) has evaluated the Site and due to the risk the Site poses to human health and the environment, concurs with EPA's proposal to list the Site on the NPL. This property is considered a high priority Site requiring investigation and a remedy to address the impact to the public drinking water supply of the City of Newark.

The continued cooperation of the Federal and State government to implement the CERCLA program is an essential element of its success. Delaware is committed to this partnership and implementation. Should this Site be listed on the NPL, DNREC will continue to assist the EPA in making the necessary cleanup decisions to protect public health and the environment.

If you have any questions regarding this issue or Delaware's participation in the CERCLA program, please contact Marjoric Crofts, Direction of Waste and Hazardous Substances by email at <a href="Marjoric-Crofts@state.de.us">Marjoric-Crofts@state.de.us</a> or by telephone at 302.739.9400, Timothy Ratsep, Administrator of the Site Investigation and Restoration Section by email at <a href="Timothy.Ratsep@state.de.us">Timothy.Ratsep@state.de.us</a> or by telephone at 302.395.2600.

Sincerely, Tark Manhell

Jack A. Markell Governor

cc: David Small, DNREC Secretary
Marjorie Crofts, DNREC-WHS Director
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February 28, 2017

Mr. Cecil A. Rodrigues Acting Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III 1650 Arch Street (Mail Code: 3RA00) Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

### RE: Newark South Ground Water Plume Concurrence Letter

Dear Mr. Rodrigues:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on October 28, 2016 requested Delaware's concurrence to list the Newark South Groundwater Plum Site located in Newark, Delaware, on the National Priorities List (NPL) pursuant to authority under Section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended 42 U.S.C. Section 9605. On November 29, 2016 Former Governor Jack Markell stated in a letter to your predecessor that "The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) has evaluated the Site and due to the risk the Site poses to human health and the environment, concurs with EPA's proposal to list the Site on the NPL". As Delaware's Governor, I concur with DNREC's and EPA's NPL listing proposal because this property is considered a high priority Site requiring investigation and a remedy to address the impact to the public drinking water supply of the City of Newark.

Delaware is committed to the continued cooperation of the Federal and State government to implement the CERCLA program. Should this Site be listed on the NPL, DNREC will continue to assist the EPA in making the necessary cleanup decisions to protect public health and the environment.

If you have any questions regarding this issue or Delaware's participation in the CERCLA program, please contact Marjoric Crofts, Director of Waste and Hazardous Substances by email at Marjoric.Crofts@state.de.us or by phone at 302.739.9400, Timothy Ratsep, Administrator of the Site Investigation and Restoration Section by email at Timothy.Ratsep@state.de.us or by phone at 302.395.2600.

Sincerely,

John C. Carney

Governor

cc: David Small, DNREC Secretary

Marjorie Crofts, DNREC-WHS Director Timothy Ratsep, DNREC-SIRS Administrator Robert Phillips, DOJ Deputy Attorney General



#### STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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### MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

GARY C. RIKARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

February 27, 2017

V. Anne Heard Acting Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region IV 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3104

> Re: Mississippi Phosphates Corporation Site Pascagoula, Jackson County, MS

Dear Ms. Heard:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requested written support for EPA to proceed with the National Priorities List (NPL) listing process for the Mississippi Phosphates Corporation Site.

I have reviewed the matter and concur with EPA's decision to proceed with the listing process with the understanding that no commitment of financial resources is being made on the part of the State of Mississippi regarding costs associated with a cleanup at the Mississippi Phosphates Corporation site at this time. The State looks forward to working with EPA in this matter to ensure protection of human health and the environment.

Should you need anything further from the State on this matter, please feel free to contact me at 601-961-5117.

Very truly yours,

Lynn Chambers, P.E., BCEE

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Chief, Groundwater Assessment & Remediation Division

cc: Gary C. Rikard, MDEQ Executive Director

### JOHN BEL EDWARDS GOVERNOR



### State of Louisiana

# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

December 15, 2016

Mr. Carl Edlund, Director EPA Region 6 Superfund Division US Environmental Protection Agency 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, TX 75202-2733

Re: Proposed Listing of American Creosote DeRidder on the National Priorities List

LDEQ Agency Interest Number 44487

Post Plant Road, DeRidder, Beauregard Parish, Louisiana

Dear Mr. Edlund:

This letter is in response to the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) request for concurrence from the state of Louisiana before the American Creosote DeRidder Site ("the site") can be proposed for listing on the National Priorities List (NPL).

The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) has been actively involved with the site in the past, providing technical assistance to the EPA in the assessment of the site. The LDEQ believes that the site is eligible for proposed listing on the NPL by virtue of the nature of the semi-volatile, and petroleum hydrocarbon contamination that remains at the site, and the threat this contamination poses to local workers and residents, as well as the surface water pathway and wetland areas that are on and adjacent to the site. Should the site be listed on the NPL, the LDEQ will continue to assist the EPA in making the necessary cleanup decisions designed to protect public health and the environment in this part of Louisiana.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Gary Fulton, Administrator, LDEQ-Underground Storage Tank and Remediation Division, at (225) 219-3505.

Sincerely,

Chuck Carr Brown, Ph.D., Secretary

Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

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 Gary A. Fulton, Jr., Administrator, USTRD

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# Mary Fallin Governor

March 8, 2017

Mr. Samuel Coleman Acting Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region VI 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, Texas 75202-2733

Subject:

Proposal for inclusion of the Eagle Industries (OKN000607068), Oklahoma County,

Oklahoma on the National Priorities List (NPL)

Dear Mr. Coleman:

This letter is in response to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) request for concurrence from the State of Oklahoma for the proposal to include the Eagle Industries Site on the NPL.

The State of Oklahoma believes that the site is eligible for inclusion on the NPL, as indicated by the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) investigations. Use of Superfund is the most viable mechanism available to pay for the remediation. The ground water surrounding the site is contaminated with chlorinated solvents which are currently impacting the drinking water wells of several nearby homes and one business/minor public water supply above safe drinking water standards.

The State of Oklahoma supports the inclusion of the Eagle Industries Site on the NPL and requests assistance in addressing the contamination. We look forward to working collaboratively with EPA to plan, select, and implement an appropriate and reasonable remedy for this site. To this end, I request that EPA grant DEO "lead agency" status per 40 CFR 300.515.

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Mary Fallin Governor

cc:

Honorable Michael Teague, Secretary of Energy & Environment

Scott Thompson, Executive Director, Oklahoma DEQ Carl Edlund, Director, Superfund Division, EPA Region 6



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May 18, 2017

Mr. Cecil A. Rodrigues Acting Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region III 1650 Arch Street (Mail Code: 3RA00) Philadelphia, PA 19103-2029

RE: Hockessin Ground Water Plume Concurrence Letter

Dear Mr. Rodrigues:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on April 19, 2017 requested Delaware's concurrence to list the Hockessin Groundwater Plum Site located in Hockessin, Delaware, on the National Priorities List (NPL), pursuant to authority under Section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended 42 U.S.C. Section 9605. The Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DNREC) has evaluated the Site and due to the risk the Site poses to human health and the environment, concurs with EPA's proposal to list the Site on the NPL. This property is considered a high priority Site requiring investigation and a remedy to address the impact to the public and private drinking water supply in Hockessin.

Delaware is committed to the continued cooperation of the Federal and State government to implement the CERCLA program. Should this Site be listed on the NPL, DNREC will continue to assist the EPA in making the necessary cleanup decisions to protect public health and the environment.

If you have any questions regarding this issue or Delaware's participation in the CERCLA program, please contact Marjorie Crofts, Director of Waste and Hazardous Substances by email at Marjorie.Crofts@state.de.us or by phone at 302.739.9400, Timothy Ratsep, Administrator of the Site Investigation and Restoration Section by email at Timothy.Ratsep@state.de.us or by phone at 302.395.2600.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Shawn Garvin, DNREC Secretary

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### MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

GARY C. RIKARD, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

February 27, 2017

V. Anne Heard Acting Regional Administrator U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region IV 61 Forsyth Street Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3104

> Re: Grenada Manufacturing, LLC Grenada, Grenada County, MS

Dear Ms. Heard:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requested written support for EPA to proceed with the National Priorities List (NPL) listing process for the Grenada Manufacturing, LLC site.

I have reviewed the matter and concur with EPA's decision to proceed with the listing process with the understanding that no commitment of financial resources is being made on the part of the State of Mississippi regarding costs associated with a cleanup at the Grenada Manufacturing, LLC site at this time. The State looks forward to working with EPA in this matter to ensure protection of human health and the environment.

Should you need anything further from the State on this matter, please feel free to contact me at 601-961-5117.

Yery truly yours,

Lynn Chambers, P.E., BCEE

Chief, Groundwater Assessment & Remediation Division

cc: Gary C. Rikard, MDEQ Executive Director



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June 23, 2017

Robert A. Kaplan
Acting Regional Administrator
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RE: State of Minnesota's concurrence for the United States Environmental Protection Agency to add the Spring Park Municipal Well Site (SEMS ID: MN000502963) to the National Priorities List (NPL)

Dear Mr. Kaplan:

The State of Minnesota concurs with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) that the Spring Park Municipal Wells Site in Spring Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota (SEMS ID: MN000502963) should be proposed to the National Priorities List (NPL), pursuant to authority under Section 105 of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA), as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 9605. This is considered a high priority site requiring investigation and remediation to address contamination of the Spring Park municipal supply wells and associated groundwater contamination plume in order to protect human health and the environment. The site consists of three municipal supply wells located on city-owned property adjacent to the municipal water treatment plant and city hall. Two of the three city wells have been contaminated with trichloroethylene at concentrations that exceed both Minnesota and USEPA safe drinking water criteria. Although not currently exhibiting contamination, the third municipal supply well is not capable of meeting the long-term water supply demand for the city on its own.

The source of the trichloroethylene contamination is not currently known. Investigation actions by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) have not led to the determination of the source. Subsurface contaminant hydrogeology is still not well understood due to the complex glacial and bedrock geology. Extensive additional investigation and remediation is needed to identify the contaminant sources and mitigate the contamination. The MPCA believes that the site is eligible for listing on the NPL by virtue of the nature of the impact to the municipal water supply. In my view, it is essential to pursue cleanup of this contamination and restore this valuable groundwater resource.

There is significant local support for the NPL listing of the site to ensure appropriate cleanup that will result in a long-term source of safe drinking water for the community of Spring Park. The Superfund process generally provides for significant community involvement. I expect a high level of community involvement and encourage the USEPA to coordinate with local officials, local and State health

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departments, and the MPCA to keep the community informed and to work with community leaders to coordinate the investigation and cleanup activities.

Should the site be listed on the NPL, the MPCA will continue to assist the USEPA in making the necessary decisions to protect public health and the environment in Spring Park. The MPCA will work with the USEPA to develop a Cooperative Agreement that will outline roles and responsibilities for each of the two agencies regarding this Site.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kathy Sather, Director of MPCA Remediation Division at 651-757-2691.

Sincerely,

John Linc Stine Commissioner

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cc: Mayor Jerome Rockvam, City of Spring Park
Dan Tolsma, City Administrator, City of Spring Park



July 10, 2017

Ms. V. Anne Heard Acting Regional Administrator U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street SW Atlanta, GA 30303-3104

Subject: Burlington Industries Cheraw Site, SCS123457698, Chesterfield County, South Carolina

Dear Ms. Heard:

Pursuant to the June 16, 2017, letter from Franklin E. Hill, Director, Superfund Division U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region IV, to Daphne Neel, Chief, Bureau of Land and Waste Management, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (SCDHEC), SCDHEC, as the state agency with the authority to abate, control, and prevent pollution in South Carolina, concurs with USEPA moving forward with listing the Burlington Industries Cheraw site in Chesterfield County on the National Priorities List (NPL) of Federal Superfund Sites.

It is the SCDHEC's belief that the current condition of the Burlington Industries Cheraw site poses a significant threat to public health and the environment for the State of South Carolina. Numerous areas of PCB contaminated soil and sediment exist at the site. These include residential properties, a public park (Huckleberry Park), and sediments throughout the three-mile drainage corridor leading to the Great Pee Dee River. According to the USEPA, the site qualifies for proposal to the NPL based upon the score of the Hazard Ranking System (HRS) package completed for the site. Therefore, SCDHEC fully supports USEPA's efforts to proceed with the NPL listing process for this site.

Please also allow this letter to serve as my designation of G. Kendall Taylor, Director, Site Assessment, Remediation, and Revitalization Division, SCDHEC, as South Carolina's official contact for the USEPA concurrence on the listing of this NPL site in our state, as well as any future correspondence regarding the site. Mr. Taylor can be reached at 803-898-0835 or taylorgk@dhec.sc.gov.

Sincerely,

Catherine & Heigel Catherine E. Heigel

cc: Franklin E. Hill, Superfund Division, USEPA, Region IV

> Myra Reece, Director Environmental Affairs Daphne Neel, Bureau Chief, BLWM, SCDHEC

G. Kendall Taylor, BLWM

Buck Graham, Director, Pee Dee Region

Susan Fulmer, BLWM

## STATE OF TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE 37243-0435

ROBERT J. MARTINEAU, JR. COMMISSIONER

July 3, 2017

BILL HASLAM GOVERNOR

Ms. V. Anne Heard Acting Regional Administrator U.S. EPA Region 4 61 Forsyth Street, SW Atlanta, Georgia 30303-3104

Subject:

NPL State Concurrence

Former Chattanooga Foundries Site Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tennessee

Dear Ms. Heard:

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) solicited the State's written Concurrence for the addition of the Former Chattanooga Foundries Site to the National Priority List (NPL) in their letter dated June 16, 2017. I confirm that the State of Tennessee supports the listing of the Former Chattanooga Foundries site to the NPL. If this site becomes an EPA Fund Lead NPL site, I understand that a Superfund State Contract (SSC), including state assurance and a funding match, will be required for EPA to conduct remedial action.

I would like to recognize the EPA Region 4 Superfund Division for their tireless assistance to Tennessee and to the residents of the Chattanooga Southside community. Region 4 removed lead-contaminated soil in 2012 in the Read Avenue area and, after more investigation in late 2016, performed time-critical removals at the most highly impacted properties in additional areas of the Chattanooga Southside area. The Department appreciates the good work already performed at this site and understands that much remains to be done to remediate lead-contaminated soil posing an unacceptable risk to human health. I understand that inclusion of this site on the NPL will allow EPA to conduct remedial investigation, risk assessment and remedial action.

Please contact Steve Goins, Director, Division of Remediation, at (615) 532-8599 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Robert J. Martineau, Jr.

Commissioner

cc: Steve Goins, TDEC Franklin E. Hill, EPA

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Commissioner

August 21, 2017

Mr. Robert Kaplan Acting Regional Administrator U.S. EPA, Region V 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604-3507

Dear Mr. Kaplan:

Re: Proposed inclusion of the

Broadway Street Corridor Ground

Water Contamination Site, Anderson, Madison County, Indiana, on the National Priorities List of Hazardous Waste Sites

I am writing to recommend inclusion of the Broadway Street Corridor Ground Water Contamination Site on the National Priorities List (NPL) of hazardous waste sites. The Site (EPA ID # INN000510915) consists of three contaminated ground water plumes that are impacting three municipal wells that provide drinking water to residents of Anderson. The raw water in the three municipal wells has been contaminated primarily with trichloroethylene (TCE), tetrachloroethylene (PCE), or vinyl chloride (VC) above U.S. EPA drinking water Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs).

Anderson Municipal Water Company operates the drinking water treatment plant in Anderson and provides drinking water for over 58,000 people in Anderson. The three impacted wells supply drinking water to at least 13,050 people. IDEM has identified over 120 possible sources of the contamination to the well field through laboratory verified sampling.

This site qualifies for inclusion on the NPL based on the following:

- The site meets the National Oil and Hazardous Substance Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP) criteria for listing on the NPL, as the site scores sufficiently high pursuant to the Hazard Ranking System (HRS); and
- 2) The site requires a long-term response action.

A NPL listing would allow for proper and timely investigation into the nature and extent of the contamination of the potential sources and enable the U.S. EPA to



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determine cleanup alternatives for the impacted areas, thereby protecting human health and the environment. The NPL listing is the most viable alternative for addressing the existing environmental problems.

As IDEM Commissioner, I am authorized by Indiana Governor Eric J. Holcomb to act in these matters on his behalf. I have considered my staff's recommendations and I fully support the designation of the Broadway Street Corridor Ground Water Contamination site for inclusion on the NPL. I request that the U.S. EPA assign a Remedial Project Manager and/or On-Scene Coordinator to implement the process. If you require any additional information or have any questions, please contact Mark Jaworski of the Site Investigation Program at 317-233-2407 or via email at MJAWORSK@idem.in.gov.

Sincerely,

Bruno L. Pigott Commissioner

cc: Denise Boone, U.S. EPA

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bcc: Peggy Dorsey, IDEM Bruce Oertel, IDEM Rex Osborn, IDEM



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June 19, 2017

Mr. Robert Kaplan Acting Regional Administrator U.S. EPA, Region V 77 West Jackson Boulevard Chicago, Illinois 60604-3507

Dear Mr. Kaplan:

Re:

Proposed inclusion of the Franklin Street Ground Water Contamination Site, Spencer, Owen County, Indiana, on the National Priorities List of Hazardous Waste Sites

I am writing to recommend inclusion of the Franklin Street Ground Water Contamination Site on the National Priorities List (NPL) of hazardous waste sites. The Site (EPA ID # INN000510959) consists of one or more contaminated ground water plumes that are impacting the BBP Water Corporation (BBP) wells that provide drinking water to Spencer and the surrounding communities. The chlorinated volatile organic compound (VOC), tetrachloroethylene (PCE), is impacting the wells. PCE has been detected at multiple potential sources throughout Spencer and has contaminated one of the BBP wells above U.S. EPA drinking water Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs).

BBP operates the drinking water treatment plant in Spencer and provides drinking water for over 9,900 people in Spencer and the surrounding communities. Raw water samples from BBP's drinking water wells have consistently shown detections of PCE on a monthly basis since December 2014. IDEM has identified three potential sources of the contamination to the well field through laboratory verified sampling; however, other potential sources exist.

This site qualifies for inclusion on the NPL based on the following:

- The site meets the National Oil and Hazardous Substance Pollution Contingency Plan (NCP) criteria for listing on the NPL, as the site scores sufficiently high pursuant to the Hazard Ranking System (HRS); and
- 2) The site requires a long-term response action.



An NPL listing would allow for proper and timely investigation into the nature and extent of the contamination of the potential sources and enable the U.S. EPA to determine cleanup alternatives for the impacted areas, thereby protecting human health and the environment. The NPL listing is the most viable alternative for addressing the existing environmental problems.

As IDEM Commissioner, I am authorized by Indiana Governor Eric J. Holcomb to act in these matters on his behalf. I have considered my staff's recommendations and I fully support the designation of the Franklin Street Ground Water Contamination site for inclusion on the NPL. I request that the U.S. EPA assign a Remedial Project Manager and/or On-Scene Coordinator to implement the process. If you require any additional information or have any questions, please contact Mark Jaworski of the Site Investigation Program at 317-233-2407 or via email at MJAWORSK@idem.in.gov.

Sincerely,

Bruno L. Pigott Commissioner

CC:

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### TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

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August 17, 2017

Mr. Samuel Coleman, P.E. Acting Regional Administrator, Region () 1.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) 1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200 Dallas, Texas 75202 2733

Re: Proposed Listing of the River City Metal Finishing and Lane Plating Works, Inc. sites to the Federal National Priorities List (NPL)

Dear Mr. Coleman:

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) supports the EPA's decision that the River City Metal Finishing and Lane Plating Works, Inc. sites be considered as a candidate sites for the federal National Priorities List (NPL) for cleanup.

The TCEQ believes that these sites are eligible for the proposed NPL listing based on EPA and TCEQ evaluations of the sites under the federal Hazard Ranking System.

Sincerely.

Richard A. Hyde, P.E. Executive Director

cc: The Honorable Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas

Mr. Carl Edlund, Superfund Division Director, LPA

Mr. Brent Wade, Deputy Director, Office of Waste, TCEO

Ms. Beth Seaton, Director, Remediation Division, TCEO



Edmund G. Brown Jr. Governor

Matthew Rodriquez
Secretary for Environmental Protection

June 28, 2017

Ms. Alexis Strauss
Acting Regional Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105-3901

Dear Acting Regional Administrator Strauss:

Governor Brown's Office asked me to respond to your letter of May 17, 2017, requesting the State of California's position on the proposed listing of the North Orange County Groundwater Basin (North Basin) on the Superfund National Priorities List (NPL).

Protecting public health, the environment and the reliability of safe drinking water are State priorities and we agree with the United State Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) that threats posed by the contaminated plume in the North Basin must be remediated. The State also supports the principle that polluters should pay to clean up contamination. Listing this site will provide the parties responsible for the contamination in the North Basin with added incentive to develop and fund a cleanup plan for this site. For these reasons, the State concurs with U.S. EPA's proposal to list the site on the NPL.

As you are aware, state and local agencies, including the California Department of Toxic Substances Control, the Santa Ana Regional Water Control Board and the Orange County Water District, have been working independently and in cooperation with U.S. EPA on remediation of the North Basin contamination. These efforts include the Department's remediation of three of the contaminated sites, the Santa Ana Water Board's oversight of remediation at six other contaminated sites, and the Water District's administrative settlement agreement with U.S. EPA to conduct a remedial investigation and feasibility study to address the contamination. The State looks forward to working cooperatively with U.S. EPA to continue these efforts, in conjunction with efforts to compel the responsible parties to conduct and fund a comprehensive remediation of contaminated groundwater in the North Basin site.

Please let us know if you have any questions or if we may be of assistance

Sincerely.

Matthew Rodriquez

Secretary for Environmental Protection

cc: See next page.

Ms. Alexis Strauss Acting EPA Regional Administrator Page 2

cc: Ms. Kim Craig

Deputy Cabinet Secretary

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Ms. Barbara Lee, Director California Department of Toxic Substances Control

Mr. Kurt Berchtold, Executive Officer Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board

Mr Stephen Sheldon, Director Orange County Water District